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OPERATIONS COORDINATING BOARD Washington 25, D. C.

November 6, 1956

MEMORANDUM FOR THE OPERATIONS COORDINATING BOARD

SUBJECT: Progress Report on International Broadcasting Aspects of NSC 169

A. AGENDA ITEM FOR:

November 14, 1956 Board Meeting

B. RECOMMENDED BOARD ACTION:

- 1. Concur in the progress report for transmittal to the National Security Council.
- 2. Recommend that the MSC specify whether further progress reports on international broadcasting are desired, and if so, at what interval.

C. PREPARED BY:

USIA, CIA and OCB Staff, as directed by the Board Assistants at their meeting of October 12.

D. BOARD ASSISTANTS ACTION:

Revised and concurred in the subject report for transmittal to the Board.

E. BACKGROUND:

In accordance with an agreement with the Office of Defense Mcbilization, the Operations Coordinating Board now reports directly to the National Security Council on paragraphs 2, 8a, 8b and 8c, for which the Board is charged with coordinating responsibility.

NSC 1317-f "requested the OCB to prepare interim reevaluations of the program effectiveness of U. S. international broadcasting as early prior to December 31, 1955, as is deemed feasible by the Board". The OCB Progress Report on NSC 169, circulated to the Council on February 8, 1956, had attached to it an annex prepared pursuant to NSC 1317-f. This fact will be clearly stated in the OCB transmittal memorandum to the NSC.

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